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Thanks. This is helpful.

On Wed, Apr 26, 2017 at 2:08 PM, McAlear, Christopher <[cmcalear@blm.gov](mailto:cmcalear@blm.gov)> wrote:

Are you still assigned to Monuments? Thought this package might be good for background.

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Chris:

We have been working with our Regional Solicitor and compiling much GSENM Proclamation historical documentation for our work on the Grazing DEIS. This information provides excellent historical background materials related to monument objects and the establishment of GSENM boundaries.

1. **WCPD-1996-09-23-PG1785-2:** President Clinton's remarks at the designation of GSENM
2. **WCPD-1996-09-23-Pg 1788:** GSENM Proclamation
3. **8-15-96 Memo Secretary Babbitt to President** on establishment of GSENM and exhibits A-F including B: List of Historic and Scientific Objects in the Area and C: Bibliography of Principal Sources of Information.
4. **11-6-98 Memo: Memo from Secretary of Interior to BLM Director** on Management of GSENM including bibliography of GSENM resources
5. **2004-04-19 Opinion & Order US District Court-Utah Central Division,** affirming establishment of GSENM and rejecting claims that the president overstepped his bounds and failed to limit the size of the monument.

As you will find from reviewing the documents, an extensive list of historic and scientific objects was developed, along with a detailed bibliography of the principal sources of information used to create the list of objects.

The Secretarial Memo to the President provides the discussion of why the area proposed for GSENM was "carefully delineated, based on review of the available information, to meet the goals of effectively caring for and managing the objects in perpetuity." The memo goes on to explain that some of the objects are present throughout the entire monument, others are scattered within it or lie along the borders, many objects overlap. "Thus the entire area is

necessary for protection of the objects. Even if it were possible to reserve a smaller area by isolating certain objects, such a fragmentation of the proposed monument would endanger many of the objects, undermine the purposes of the monument itself and create substantial impediments to effective management of the monument." "Preservation of such objects ( the biologic and archaeologic resources are examples) requires, among other things, protection of land surrounding them in order to maintain the relatively remote conditions that have made their continued existence possible. Furthermore, the scientific value of many of the objects within the monument requires preservation of areas large enough to maintain the objects and their interactions."

Finally, when the creation of GSENM and its' size was litigated, U.S. District Judge Dee Benson dismissed the 1997 lawsuit. His 47 page ruling is attached.

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Attached below are 4 documents, that help clarify/detail the objects in the GSENM proclamation and the reasons for the boundaries as established. They include: The Proclamation, The President's speech given when issuing the Proclamation, the Memo from the Secretary to BLM Director on Management of GSENM (11 6 96) which includes a bibliography of monument resources that was completed in connection with the Proclamation, and a Memo from the Secretary to the President ( 8 15 1996).

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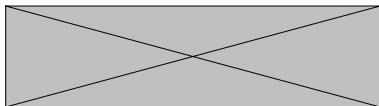
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Here is the President's speech and proclamation, from volume 32 of the *Weekly Compilation of Presidential Documents*, in two parts. Feel free to distribute as appropriate. Let me try to find you a clean copy of the Secretary's memo to the President.

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